

**Orange County Public Schools
UNCF Scholarship Program**

Each school year, the UNCF scholarship is available to all high school seniors in Orange County Public Schools. Students must be nominated by their high school principal and counselor. All applications and related documents must reach the Scholarship Committee by **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2011.**

GOAL OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

To provide a \$20,000 scholarship, (\$5000 payable per year for four years) to an OCPS senior who demonstrates academic and leadership potential, financial need and who will attend **any UNCF college or UNCF university**. It is the intent of the scholarship fund to grow each year so that many other students may be able to receive financial support from these funds.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

1. The high school counselor will receive all applications. The principal and counselor will consider and select nominees that best meet the criteria as established.
2. Completed nomination packets should be submitted to the UNCF Scholarship Committee. All applications must reach Bennyette "Laveta" Barrett at Howard Middle or Hope B. Sims at Olympia High School by **4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2011.**
3. Only nomination packets with the principal and counselor signatures will be considered.
4. All nomination packets will be screened by the Scholarship Committee.
5. Scholarship recipient will be notified by March 25, 2011. **

*****Recipient will be presented scholarship on March 30, 2011 during the UNCF Luncheon held at the Sheraton Downtown. Luncheon begins at 1:00, if chosen, please plan to attend.***

Requirements:

1. Completed application form.
2. Two letters of recommendation (one school-based and one community-based). The letters should reference the applicant's scholastic standing, character and sportsmanship. Sportsmanship, for the purpose of this scholarship, is defined as fairness, courteous relations, and graceful acceptance of results.
3. A handwritten essay of 500 words or less telling why he/she is a qualified applicant and what he/she intends to do with his/her life.
4. A copy of the applicant's financial need statement **MUST BE INCLUDED**. The FAFSA, Free Application for Federal Student Aid Form, is to be completed and submitted.
5. Photograph.
6. A high school transcript including a minimum G.P.A. of 3.5 weighted or 3.0 unweighted on a 4.0 scale; combined SAT scores of 900 (or above), **or** an ACT composite score of 19 (or above).
7. Letter of acceptance from **a UNCF College or UNCF University** (when available).
8. Principal and counselor signatures as found on page 8.

CONTACT:

Benny' "Laveta" Barrett
UNCF Scholarship Committee
Howard Middle School
800 E. Robinson Street
Orlando, FL 32801

or

Hope B. Sims
UNCF Scholarship Committee
Olympia High School
4301 S. Apopka-Vineland Road
Orlando, FL 32835

(407) 245-1780 Ext. 239

(407) 905-6425

Only COMPLETE applications will be considered upon the recommendations of the high school principal and counselor. Interviews of scholarship finalists will be an option of the UNCF Scholarship Committee.

**ORANGE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
UNCF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

STUDENT DIRECTIONS: Complete all sections of this application. Return the completed application to the principal or counselor immediately. **Type or print in black ink.**

Student's Name

High School

Date of Birth

Social Security Number

Home Address

City/State/Zip

Home Phone Number

Name of Parent(s) or Guardian

College/University you will attend

Planned Field of Study

COMPLETE EACH SECTION LISTED BELOW:

Academic Honors

Briefly describe any scholastic distinctions or honors you have earned beginning with the ninth grade.

Extracurricular and Personal Activities

Please list your school and/or personal activities in the order of their interest to you. For example: band, sports, club memberships, etc.

Activity	Check Grade Level or Year of Participation				Approximate Number of Hours Spent per Week	Positions Held or Earned
	9	10	11	12		

Please list your volunteer activities at school or in the community, in order of their interest to you. For example: tutoring students, working with the elderly, etc.

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Work Experience

Please list any job (including summer employment) you have held during the past three years.

Employer	Specific Nature of Work	Approximate Dates of Employment	Approximate Hours Worked Per Week

Applicant's Essay (handwritten)

In 500 words or less, explain how this scholarship will assist you in the fulfillment of a personal dream to make a positive contribution in making the world a better place in which to live.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Attach additional pages, if needed.

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Letter of Recommendation (School -Based)

Applicant's Name: _____

Please describe the applicant with regard to scholastic standing, character and sportsmanship.
(Sportsmanship is defined as fairness, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of results).

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Relationship to Student _____

Letter of Recommendation (Community-Based)

Applicant's Name: _____

Please describe the applicant with regard to scholastic standing, character and sportsmanship.
(Sportsmanship is defined as fairness, courteous relations and graceful acceptance of results).

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Relationship to Student _____

By signing below, I certify that I plan to enroll in college or university during the Fall of 2011.

Student's Signature: _____

Parent(s) Approval Signature: _____

Confirmed and supported by **both**: _____

School Principal

and

School Counselor

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 4:00 pm on Tuesday, March 22, 2011

Mail or hand-deliver applications to:

Bennye' "Laveta" Barrett	or	Ms. Hope B. Sims
Howard Middle School		Olympia High School
800 E. Robinson Street		4301 S. Apopka-Vineland Road
Orlando, FL 32801		Orlando, FL 32835

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

FINAL CHECK SHEET

A COMPLETE UNCF SCHOLARSHIP PACKET MUST CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:

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2011 UNCF Member Colleges and Universities

Alabama

Miles College, Birmingham
Oakwood College, Huntsville
Stilman College, Tuscaloosa
Talladega College, Talladega
Tuskegee University, Tuskegee

Arkansas

Philander Smith College, Little Rock

Florida

Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach
Edward Waters College, Jacksonville
Florida Memorial University, Miami

Georgia

Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta
Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta
Morehouse College, Atlanta
Paine College, Augusta
Spelman College, Atlanta

Louisiana

Dillard University, New Orleans
Xavier University, New Orleans

Mississippi

Rust College, Holly Springs
Tougaloo College, Tougaloo

North Carolina

Bennett College, Greensboro
Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte
Livingston College, Salisbury
Saint Augustine's College, Raleigh
Shaw University, Raleigh

Ohio

Wilberforce University, Wilberforce

South Carolina

Allen University, Columbia
Benedict College, Columbia
Claflin University, Orangeburg
Morris College, Sumter
Voorhees College, Denmark

Tennessee

Fisk University, Nashville
Lane College, Jackson
LeMoyne-Owen College, Memphis

Texas

Huston-Tillotson University, Austin
Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins
Paul Quinn College, Dallas
Texas College, Tyler
Wiley College, Marshall

Virginia

Saint Paul's College, Lawrenceville
Virginia Union University, Richmond